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May 27, 1957

Undersecretary of State
Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare
Czerniakowska 231
Warsaw, Poland

Dear Mr. Kochanowicz:

It is a pleasure to report to you that the Board of Directors of CARE on May 24th, accepted the report of our discussions in Warsaw and have authorized a CARE program for Poland to begin on or about July 1, 1957. Enclosed is a draft of a proposed contract which I believe reflects the major points discussed by us and summarized in your memorandum of May 17, 1957.

Exhibit "A" will require, undoubtedly, detailed discussions by CARE's resident representatives, and might well be detailed and formalized sometime after their arrival in Warsaw toward the end of June. In the meantime, I would suggest a fairly general Exhibit "A" as attached so that initial shipments to Poland may be started immediately upon your acceptance of the basic agreement. It would be our plan to have the first shipments arrive at Gdynia before the end of July 1957.

As discussed, we would like to start with supplies and equipment for institutions against priority lists provided through your office and with small tools and food packages for returnees from Russia now being resettled by your government. Although shipments are made possible by voluntary contributions by the American people, it would be my judgment that we should have a quick and good response to this program for tools and equipment. As discussed, it is likely that the packages provided to specific recipients by American donors should materially increase the overall total of aid through CARE.

May I thank you again for the many courtesies shown Mr. Greaves and me during our visit. We look forward to a continuing satisfactory relationship.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Reuter
Executive Director

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Cooperative for American Remittances to Everywhere, Inc.

600 First Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.

**Executive Director
Richard W. Reuter**

June 5, 1957

**Mr. Willard F. Barber
Counselor
Embassy of the United States
Warsaw, Poland**

Dear Mr. Barber:

I thought you might be interested in seeing the enclosed copy of a letter to the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare of the Polish Government and a revised draft of the Proposed Contract with CARE. This was forwarded through the Polish Embassy in Washington.

I am especially grateful for your interest in this matter and want to thank you again for your many courtesies during Mr. Greaves and my visit to Warsaw. We appreciated it.

Cordially yours,

**/s/ Richard W. Reuter
Richard W. Reuter**

Enclosure

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From Warsaw(Draft Enclosed with May 27, 1957,
letter of Mr. Reuters)**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF POLAND AND
COOPERATIVE FOR AMERICAN REMITTANCES TO EVERYWHERE, INC.**

Whereas, Cooperative for American Remittances to Everywhere, Inc. (hereinafter sometimes referred to as CARE) has been organized to enable donors in the United States, Canada and elsewhere to assist recipients abroad with gifts of goods and services for purposes of relief, rehabilitation, and reconstruction; and

Whereas, the Government of Poland (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the Government) welcomes the assistance which it is proposed to extend through CARE to recipients in Poland;

The Government, represented by
and CARE, represented by Richard W. Reuter, Executive Director,
have agreed as follows:

1. The primary purpose of this agreement is to facilitate and maximize voluntary gifts, to recipients in Poland, from the United States and elsewhere in the Americas of technical, scientific and medical equipment and supplies and of agricultural, artisan and educational tools and supplies designed to promote self-help, and of food, clothing materials, books, and other needed articles. The articles specifically covered by this agreement are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto. This agreement may be changed or extended by written mutual consent of the parties, to other articles from time to time.

2. CARE will:

- A. Solicit, in the United States and elsewhere in the Americas in return for the issuance of remittances, contributions to finance the purchase, and delivery in Poland, of articles of the kinds covered by this agreement.
- B. After consultation with the appropriate agency or agencies of the Government, designate the recipients of articles of which donors have not designated the recipients.
- C. In accordance with supplementary agreements made from time to time with the Government, limit the amount of gift articles which it will deliver, in a stated period, to any one person or family designated by a donor.

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- D. Deliver gift articles to recipients in Poland, subject to the conditions of this agreement and in accordance with the directions of donors.
 - E. Ultimately appropriate for relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction or other charitable purposes for the benefit of Poland a share of the balance of funds remaining with CARE after deduction of its costs and liabilities wherever incurred, the share for the benefit of Poland to be determined by CARE on the basis of that proportion of the balance from its remittance deliveries which will have accrued from deliveries in Poland. CARE will consult the Government concerning the proposed use of any amounts so appropriated.
3. The Government will:
- A. Admit free of all duties, gift articles furnished by CARE under this agreement, and supplies and equipment imported by CARE into Poland for its own use in connection with its operations under this agreement, and the use of non-Polish nationals in such operations.
 - B. Levy no taxes:
 - (1) On gift articles furnished by CARE, either in CARE's hands or in the hands of the ultimate recipients; or
 - (2) On CARE, its assets, property, income, operations or transactions, or the salaries or other remunerations for personal services paid by CARE to its personnel of non-Polish nationality who are resident in Poland.
 - C. Undertake that no gift articles furnished by CARE shall be subjected by governmental action to requisitioning, misappropriation or diversion to use other than that intended by the donors, before or after delivery to the ultimate recipients in Poland.
 - D. Treat such articles as supplementary and outside any ration regulations.
 - E. Accord to the unloading, handling, warehousing and internal transportation of gift commodities,

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supplies and equipment furnished by CARE under this agreement the same priority as is accorded to other imported relief or rehabilitation supplies, and provide such unloading, handling, warehousing and internal transportation services at Government expense.

- F. Provide, wherever possible and without charge, effective protection against theft, including police protection, for all gift commodities, and for the supplies and equipment furnished under this agreement and authorize and assist CARE to provide such protection wherever it cannot be provided by the Government.
- G. Authorize CARE to label the gift commodities furnished by it in such way as it may wish in order to indicate their source and method of use, and assure that such labels will not be removed or defaced.
- H. Provide that CARE may obtain in exchange for United States currency such Polish currency as it may need at the most favorable legal rate.
- I. Facilitate the operations of CARE under this agreement in every way possible, including the issuance of appropriate credentials to personnel engaged in such operations.
- J. Permit CARE to effect, free of all export restrictions and duties, the export from Poland of any gift commodities, supplies or equipment furnished by it from abroad, and to which it has retained title.
- K. Admit to Poland such number of American resident representatives as CARE may deem necessary for its operations under this agreement.

4. Where the donor so authorize, CARE will be free to specify the particular recipients to whom gift articles are to be delivered. A remittance drawn in blank, or in favor of general relief, or in favor of a group, will be regarded as authorizing CARE to specify the particular recipients. CARE will welcome the recommendations of the Government as to the recipients to be specified by CARE in such cases.

5. Either party may terminate this agreement upon 120 days' written notice to the other.

6. This agreement shall be effective on 1957. Done this day of , 1957, in .

FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF POLAND

FOR COOPERATIVE FOR
AMERICAN REMITTANCES TO
EVERYWHERE, INC.

APPENDIX "A"

The following categories and articles shall be covered initially by this contract and this Exhibit "A" shall remain in force until amended or replaced by mutual consent:

- I Technical, scientific, medical, educational and agricultural equipment and supplies including scientific books for distribution to associations, institutions, schools and hospitals.
- II Hand tools, supplies and technical books for artisans, farmers, technicians, teachers and others to support a program of self-help.
- III Packages of woolen, cotton or other cloth.
- IV Shipments of U.S. agricultural surplus commodities as available and as specifically programmed for institutional or group use.
- V An eleven pound standard food package for individual or family use and to consist of the following commodities in approximately the following quantities:

2	pounds	milk powder
2	"	processed cheese
1	"	butter
2	"	rice
1	"	cocoa and/or coffee
1	"	meat
1	"	chocolate
1	"	citrus fruit juice